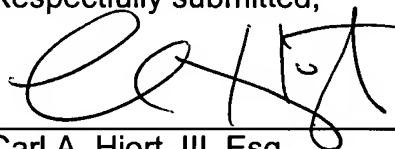


REMARKS

Claims 1-80 are pending in the instant application. The Examiner has presented a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 between (1) the embodiment wherein the free mass is disposed on the resonator probe between the barrier member and the horn and (2) the embodiment wherein the horn is comprised of an annular portion and the free mass is positioned within the annular portion between the proximal end of the resonator probe and the horn. Although the Applicant disagrees with the propriety of the restriction requirement, in order to expedite the prosecution of the application the Applicant provisionally elects Species I (the embodiment wherein the free mass is disposed on the resonator probe between the barrier member and the horn). The claims that correspond to the elected species are claims 21, 48 and 75. Therefore, the Applicant elects claims 21, 48 and 75 to be examined along with claims 1-20, 23-47, 50-74 and 77-80, which the Examiner has identified as generic.

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